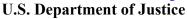
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Honorable George B. Daniels United States District Judge Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re: Christopher Quero et al. v. Elisabeth DeVos, 18 Civ. 9509 (GBD)

Dear Judge Daniels:

I write on behalf of Elisabeth DeVos, Secretary of the United States Department of Education, the defendant in the above-referenced case. The initial pretrial conference in this case is currently scheduled for January 31, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. However, defendant has not yet responded to plaintiffs' complaint, and, in light of the standing order entered by Chief Judge McMahon on December 27, 2018 (Dkt. No. 17), its current deadline to do so is February 8, 2019. The parties believe that the conference will be more fruitful if held after defendant has responded to plaintiff's complaint. Accordingly, defendant respectfully requests that the conference be adjourned to a date after February 8, 2019. Plaintiffs consent to this request, but have indicated that they are not available on February 12 through 14 or 22 through 27, 2019. This is defendant's first request for an adjournment of the initial pretrial conference.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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